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THIRD SESSION.

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Saturday the 18th August 1945|2nd Chingom 1121.

The Council re-assembled at 12-0 noon in the Legislative Chamber, Public Offices, with the Dewan-President in the Chair,

NEW MEMBERS.

The following members took the oath and signed the Rolls:

1. Rajyasevanirata Dr. M. K. Gopala Pillai (*Director of Public Health*)
2. Mr. C. Kumara Das (*Secretary to Government*)
3. Mr. K. R. Narayana Aiyar (*Director of Agriculture*).
4. Mr. Kainikara M. Padmanabha Pillai (*Special officer for Education Re-organisation*).
5. Mr. N. Ramakrishna Pillai (*Legal Remembrancer*).
6. Dewan Bahadur L. Venkatakrishnan (*Chief Engineer*).

QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS.

Rat pests.

145. ***Mr. G. Madhavan** (*Karunagapalli, Karthikapalli and Ambalapuzha cum Shertallai*): Will the Government be pleased to state whether they have taken any measures for the prevention of rat trouble in the paddy and other cultivations in Shertallai taluk and if so, what are the measures.

Mr. K. R. Narayana Aiyar (*Director of Agriculture*): Yes, (i) Setting up of rat traps;
(ii) Use of poisonous baits; and
(iii) Organisation of rat destruction days.

Mr. G. Madhavan: May I know for how long this work was being done?

Mr. K. R. Narayana Aiyar: This was demonstrated for a short time about a year ago.

Cattle for Travancore.

146. * **Mr. M. Madhavan Namboothiri** (*Travancore Jenmies*): Will the Government be pleased to state whether any quota has been allotted to bring cattle to Travancore from outside?

Mr. K. R. Narayana Aiyar: Yes, one hundred cattle per month.

Mr. A. N. Satyanesan (*Nominated*): ഒന്നാമത്തെ തവണ കുറച്ചു കിട്ടിക്കഴിഞ്ഞോ?

Mr. K. R. Narayana Aiyar: കിട്ടിയിട്ടില്ല.

Mr. G. Narayana Aiyar (*Nominated*): May I know from the honourable member when the quota was allotted?

Mr. K. R. Narayana Aiyar: The quota was allotted about four weeks ago.

Live stock.

147. * **Mr. K. A. Raman Pillai** (*Municipal Councils*): Will the Government be pleased to state:

(*a*) whether any measures have been taken by the Department concerned for maintaining livestock in health; and

(*b*) if so, what those measures are?

Mr. K. R. Narayana Aiyar: (*a*) Yes.

(*b*) (i) Veterinary Hospitals and Dispensaries have been opened in important centres in the State for rendering free veterinary aid to livestock.

(ii) Protective inoculation against contagious disease of animals is given free.

(iii) Superior fodder crops, such as Guinea grass Napier grass etc., have been introduced for feeding livestock.

(iv) Officers of the department carry on propaganda among cattle owners and advise them on the proper housing, better feeding and careful management of livestock.

Village Project Schemes.

148. * **Mr. K. A. Raman Pillai**: Will the Government be pleased to state:

(*a*) the amount of expenditure incurred for the Village Project Scheme in the year 1119;

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